

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: August 17-18, 2005

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Action Item

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Ref: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT DEVELOPMENT  
EXPENDITURE PER RESOLUTION G-03-19, STATE TRANSPORTATION  
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GUIDELINES  
WAIVER-05-20**

## **ISSUE:**

The California Transportation Commission (Commission) programmed funds in Fiscal Year 2004-05 totaling \$24,000 for one project in Sierra County, as shown on the attachment. The funds were not expended by the June 30, 2005 deadline. The attachment shows the details of the project and the reasons for the extension request. Sierra County is requesting an extension, and the planning agency concurs.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Transportation's recommendation is shown on the attachment.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Resolution G-03-19, State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Guidelines, adopted by the Commission on December 11, 2003, stipulates that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Project Development Expenditure Deadline  
Local Streets and Roads Projects

Project #	Applicant County	Extension Amount By Component (\$ in thousands) E&P (Environmental and Permits) PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimates) R/W (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested  Extended Deadline  CT Recommendation
	<b>Reason for Project Delay:</b>		
1	Sierra County	\$0	12 months for PS&E; 18 months for R/W
	Sierra County	\$14,000	
		\$10,000	06/30/06 (PS&E); 12/31/06 (R/W)
	PPNO: 3-1L29	\$0	
	Pearl Street Bridge	<b>\$24,000</b>	Neutral – does not meet STIP guidelines
	Replacement – Downie River		
	<p>PS&amp;E and R/W phases were delayed nearly 18 months due to the length of time required to obtain approval from FHWA to continue to have a single lane structure with two-way traffic. As a result of this nearly 18-month delay, the County did not have a contract in place for completion of the PS&amp;E and R/W phases until late 2004. Due to winter weather and scheduling conflicts, needed field surveys were not completed until April 2005. In addition, due to a misunderstanding regarding the ability to request reimbursement from STIP funds prior to billing against the HBRR funds and the ability to meet the schedule for processing the expenditure deadline extension request through to the Commission, the County did not seek an extension prior to the lapse of the expenditure deadline. Based upon progress to date on completing PS&amp;E and R/W work, Sierra County expects to advertise the project for construction in the spring of 2006. This assumes that no unexpected delays will occur prior to R/W certification, and that funding for the Construction phase can be programmed in the first year of the 2006 STIP. Sierra County has been requested to be present at the meeting to answer questions.</p>		